

What is claimed is:

1. A cleaning apparatus comprising:
a cleaning element support means for carrying the cleaning element about a sidewall of the support means;
a handle coupled to the support means, the handle rotatably coupled to the support; and
powered drive means, carried in the handle and having a rotatable output shaft to the support means, for rotating the support means upon activation of the powered drive means.
2. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the power drive means comprises:
a motor mounted in the handle; and
an electrical power source mounted in the handle and electrically connected to the motor.
3. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the cleaning element comprises:
a mat having a exterior surface, cleaning members fixed to the exterior surface of the mat.
4. The apparatus of claim 1 further comprising:
clamp means, carried on the support means for clamping the cleaning element in a fixed position on the support means.
5. The apparatus of claim 4 wherein the clamp means comprises:
a pivotal member carried on the support means, the clamp means pivotal between a first position spaced from the support means to a second position engaged with the cleaning element.

6. The apparatus of claim 4 wherein the clamp means comprises: opposed ends of the cleaning element spaced from each other when mounted about the support means; and means, carried on the opposed ends of the cleaning element and the support means for latchingly receiving the ends of the cleaning element.

7. The apparatus of claim 4 wherein the clamp means comprises: opposed ends of the cleaning element spaced from each other when the cleaning element is mounted around the support means; means, carried on the opposed ends of the cleaning element, for releasably mounting in a slot in the support means; and a clamp member releasably mounted in the slot for fixing the ends of the cleaning element in the slot.

8. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the support means comprising: comprises: a core, mountable over the support means; and the cleaning element mounted on the core.

9. The apparatus of claim 8 further comprising: clamp means, carried on the core, for clamping the cleaning element to the core.

10. The apparatus of claim 9 wherein: the clamp means is a clamp member pivotally mounted on the core.

11. The apparatus of claim 9 wherein: the clamp means comprises a separate clamp member removably mounted on the core to fix the cleaning element on the core.

12. The apparatus of claim 1 further comprising:
clamp means, mountable over the cleaning element, to fix the cleaning element on the support means.

13. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein:
the cleaning element extends over substantially an entire exterior surface of the support means.

14. The apparatus of claim 13 further comprising:
clamp means for clamping a free end of the cleaning element in a fixed position relative to the support means.

15. The apparatus of claim 14 further wherein the clamp means comprises:
the clamp member releasably mountable on the support means.

16. The apparatus of claim 14 wherein the clamp means comprises:
a pivotal member, carried on the support means, and movable to a stationary position relative to the cleaning element for fixing the cleaning element on the support means.

17. The apparatus of claim 1 further comprising:
an attachment carrying an auxiliary cleaning element mountable on an end of the support means.

18. The apparatus of claim 17 wherein:
the auxiliary attachment is releasably mountable on an end of the support means.

19. The cleaning apparatus of claim 1 wherein the support means comprises:

container means for carrying a fluid; and

an aperture formed in the container means for dispensing fluid from the container means to the cleaning element disposed about the container means..

20. The apparatus of claim 19 wherein:

the aperture dispenses the fluid from the container means to the cleaning element only during rotation of the support means by the power drive means.

21. The apparatus of claim 20 wherein the container means

defines the support means, the cleaning element carried on at least one of a sidewall and an end wall of the container means.

22. The apparatus of claim 19 further comprising:

an aperture formed in an end wall of the container means for dispensing fluid through the end wall of the container; and

an auxiliary cleaning element carried on an attachment mounted on the end wall of the support means, the attachment allowing fluids flow from the aperture in the end wall of the liquid container to the cleaning element.

23. The apparatus of claim 23 further comprising:

valve means fluidically coupled to the aperture in the end wall and moveable between a first position sealingly closing the aperture in the end wall and a second position opening the aperture in the end wall to fluid flow therethrough, the valve means moveable to the second position upon contact with an external surface.